



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Social Justice Department - National Institute of Speech & Hearing (NISH) - Authorisation of Dr. Suja. K. Kunnath to handle banking transactions and accounts at NISH until new Executive Director takes charge - Orders issued

SOCIAL JUSTICE (A) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.147/2025/SJD Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 13-06-2025

Read 1 Government Order G. O. (Rt)No. 127/2023/SJD dated 02.06.2023

Letter No. NISH/636/2022-Executive Director dated 03.03.2025, 06.05.2025 & 03.06.2025 and Note No. 2 NISH/636/2025-Executive Director dated 12.06.2025 from Dr. Suja. K. Kunnath, Executive Director, National Institute of Speech & Hearing (NISH), Thiruvananthapuram.

ORDER

As per the Government Order read as 1st paper above, Dr. Suja K Kunnath, 573, PNAA, Prasanth Nagar, Medical College. P. O, Thiruvananthapuram was appointed as the full time Executive Director of the National Institute of Speech & Hearing, for a period of two years. She took the charge of Executive Director of the institution on 03.06.2023 and as such her tenure ended on 03.06.2025.

2. In the letter read as 2nd paper above (dated 03.06.2025), Dr. Suja K Kunnath has informed the Government that she has relinquished the charge as Executive Director, NISH, as her tenure in the post has ended.

3. As per the Note read as 2nd paper above, the NISH authorities have informed that, since Dr. Suja K. Kunnath's tenure ended on 03.06.2025, the institution is facing an operational standstill concerning time-sensitive and statutory payments. The institution emphasized the

urgent need to complete transactions vital for its functioning, such as university-related dues, statutory remittances, supplier/vendor payments, and other emergency expenditures, to ensure uninterrupted service to NISH students and clients. Since Dr. Suja K. Kunnath is the authorized signatory for banking transactions, NISH has requested that she be permitted to handle these transactions during the interim period until a new Executive Director takes charge, in the interest of maintaining financial and operational continuity at NISH.

4. Government have examined the matter in detail. In the interest of maintaining financial and operational continuity at NISH, Government are pleased to authorise Dr. Suja K Kunnath, (573, PNAA, Prasanth Nagar, Medical College. P. O, Thiruvananthapuram) to handle financial transactions at NISH until a new Executive Director takes charge.

(By order of the Governor)
BINDUMOL THOMAS
UNDER SECRETARY

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College. P. O, Thiruvananthapuram
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Executive Director, National Institute of Speech & Hearing (NISH),
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Social Justice Department- National Institute of Speech&Hearing-
Appointment of Dr.Suja K Kunnath as full-time Executive Director,
NISH for a period of two years sanctioned - Orders issued.

SOCIAL JUSTICE(C)DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.127/2023/SJD Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 02-06-2023

Read 1 G.O.(Rt)No.178/2022/SJD dated 22.07.2022

2 Minutes of the 24th Governing Council meeting of NISH
held on 24.05.2023

3 Letter No.320/2022/NISH-Appointment of Director dated
26.05.2023 from the Executive Director,NISH

ORDER

As per G.O. read as 1st paper above a Selection/ Search Committee was constituted, under the chairpersonship of Chief Secretary to Government of Kerala, for selection of a suitable candidate as full-time Executive Director of National Institute of Speech & Hearing (NISH).

2. At the interview conducted by the Selection Committee Dr. Suja K Kunnath, 573, PNAA, Prasanth Nagar, Medical College.P.O, Thiruvananthapuram was ranked first for consideration for appointment to the said post.

3. The 24th Governing Council of NISH (vide its minutes read as 2nd paper above) approved the appointment of Dr. Suja K Kunnath as full-time Executive Director of NISH.

4. The Executive Director, NISH, accordingly, vide letter read as 3rd paper above submitted a proposal for the appointment of Dr. Suja K

Kunnath as full-time Executive Director of NISH, with permission to continue to have lien as Professor, Department of Neurodevelopmental Sciences at NISH.

5. Government after having examined the matter in detail are pleased to appoint Dr. Suja K Kunnath, 573, PNAA, Prasanth Nagar, Medical College.P.O, Thiruvananthapuram as full-time Executive Director of NISH for a period of two years or until further orders whichever is earlier, with permission to continue to have lien as Professor in the Department of Neurodevelopmental Sciences in NISH.

6. The scale of pay fixed for the post of Executive Director, NISH will be the UGC scale of 37400-6700 + AGP Rs.10000.

(By order of the Governor)
DR SHARMILA MARY JOSEPH
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY

To:

1. Dr. Suja K Kunnath, 573, PNAA, Prasanth Nagar, Medical College.P.O, Thiruvananthapuram.
2. The Director, Social Justice Department, Thiruvananthapuram.
3. The Executive Director, National Institute of Speech & Hearing (NISH)
4. The Accountant General (G&S SA/A&E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
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